BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON DC 20268-0001

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Docket No. R2000-1

SECOND SET OF INTERROGATORIES OF MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS OF AMERICA, INC. TO USPS WITNESS KINGSLEY (MPA/USPS-T10-3-6)

(February 15, 2000)

Pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Practice, Magazine Publishers of America, Inc. hereby submits the attached interrogatories to USPS Witness Kingsley (MPA/USPS-T10-3-6).

Respectfully submitted,

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MPA/USPS-T10-3. The Postal Service hosted a Flats Day at the Baltimore P&DC on February 8, 2000. During the day, the Service described the current processing environment for flats and the future environment. Your testimony also describes the current and future environment for processing flats. Please provide a copy of the briefing the Postal Service provided on Flats Day.

MPA/USPS-T10-4. Please confirm that under Planning Issues, the briefing cites "Automatic feeders to FSM 881" and "Plan to incorporate automatic feeders and OCR capability to FSM 1000."

- (a) What is the status of these plans? Specifically, will either be implemented in the Test Year?
- (b) Are either of these plans described in your testimony? If so, where?

MPA/USPS-T10-5. Please describe how implementing these plans will enhance flat sorting productivity. Please include descriptions of staffing changes and throughput. Once automatic feeders have been incorporated, how will the productivity of the FSM 881 and the FSM 1000 compare to the productivity of the AFSM 100?

MPA/USPS-T10-6. Please confirm that the USPS has issued a new SOP on broken bundles at SPBS machines. Please provide the date of release of the SOP and a copy of it. Please describe the treatment of broken bundles at SPBS prior to the issuance of this SOP.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice.

Anne R. Noble

Washington, D.C. February 15, 2000